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By the KING,

A PROCLAMATION,

Declaring His Majesty's Pleasure for Continuing the Officers in His Majesty's Plantations, till His Majesty's Pleasure shall be further Declared.

GEORGE R.

WHereas by an Act of Parliament made in the Sixth Year of the Reign of the late Queen Anne, Our most Dear Sister, Intituled An Act for the Security of Her Majesty's Person and Government, and of the Succession to the Crown of *Great Britain* in the Protestant Line *It was enacted amongst other Things, That no Office Place, or Employment, Civil or Military, within any of her said late Majesty's Plantations should become Void by reason of the Demise or Death of Her said late Majesty but that the Person and Persons in any of the said Offices Places, or Employments should continue in the respective Offices Places and Employments for the space of Six Months next after such Death or Demise unless sooner Removed and Discharged by Us; and in regard it may happen, that Our Pleasure may not within the said time be Declared touching the said Offices, which will at the end of the said Six Months become Void: We for the Preventing the Inconveniences that may happen hereby, in Our Princely Wisdom and Care of the State, (reserving to Our Judgment hereafter the Reformation and Redress of any Abuses in Misgovernment, upon due Knowledge and Examination thereof) are Pleased, and do hereby Order, Signifie and Declare, That all Persons that, at the time of the Decease of Her said late Majesty, were Duly and Lawfully Possessed of or Invested in any Office Place or Employment Civil or Military, in any of Our Plantations, and which have not been since Removed from such their Offices, Places or Employments, shall be and shall hold themselves continued in the said Offices, Places, or Employments, as formerly they held and enjoyed the same until our Pleasure be further known, or that other Provision be made pursuant to Her late Majesty's Commissions and Instructions to Her Governors and Officers of the Plantations aforesaid. And that in the mean time for the Preservation of the Peace, and necessary Proceedings in Matters of Justice, and for the Safety and Service of the State, all the said Persons, of whatsoever Degree or Condition, do not fail every one severally, according to his Place, Office or Charge, to proceed in the Performance and Execution of all Duties thereunto belonging as formerly appertained unto them while the late Queen was Living. And further we do hereby Will and Command all and singular Our Subjects in the said Plantations, of what Estate or Degree they or any of them be, to be Aiding, Helping and Assisting, at the Commandment of the said Officers in the Performance and Execution of the said Offices and Places as they tender Our Displeasure, and will answer for the contrary at their utmost Perils.*

Given at Our Court at St. *James's* the Two and twentieth Day of *November*, 1714. In the First Year of Our Reign.

God save the KING.

St. *James's*, *November* 26. The following Addresses have been presented to His Majesty.

An humble Address of the Bailiffs and Burgesses of the Borough of Morpeth in the County of Northumberland; presented to his Majesty by Sir John Germain, one of their Representatives in Parliament, introduced by the Right Honourable the Earl of Carlisle.

An humble Address from the Members of the Assembly of the Island of Antigua, having been transmitted hither, the same was presented to his Majesty by the Right Honourable the Lord Viscount Townshend, one of his Majesty's Principal Secretaries of State.

Both which Addresses his Majesty was pleas'd to receive very graciously.

Schaffhausen, *Nov.* 22. *N S.* The Republick of Venice, as well as other States of Italy are very urgent with the Swiss Cantons, and particularly with those of Zurich and Berne, to prohibit all Commerce with the Circle of Swabia, on account of contagious Distempers, which they alledge are still in some Parts of Germany: But it not appearing that those Instances have any other Foundation than uncertain Rumour, 'tis doubted whether they will be complied with. The Magistrates of Zurich, at the desire of the chief Traders, and of the Majority of the rest of the Freemen of that City, have repealed an ancient Law, which provided that when any Burgher of Zurich became a Bankrupt, his Creditors in Zurich should have all his Effects that could be discovered, in Exclusion of all other Creditors who were stiled Foreigners, of whatever Nature their Debts were: This Law had been very detrimental to Trade, but carrying the Name of a Privilege, and being therefore supposed to be of Advantage to the Burghers, the abolishing it had often been attempted formerly without Success: The Government of Zurich having now put all Merchants that Trade thither upon an equal foot with the Inhabitants in that respect, and consequently established a new Fund of Credit among Foreigners, that Town may expect the good Effects thereof in its Traffick and Commerce. The 20th came hither above 20 Waggons loaded with Burgundy and Champaign, which the Elector of Bavaria has sent to Munich; and great part of his Houshold-Furniture and other Baggage is expected in a few days, to be imbarked here with those Wines for Lindau, whence they are to be forwarded into Bavaria. 'Tis advised from Basil, that the 19th the French began to demolish the Fortifications which are on the Right of the Rhine overagainst Hunninghen, and on the Island in that part of the River: That 600 Men were first set to Work, but were to be augmented to 2000: That the German and French Generals who are authorized to see to the execution of the Treaty of Baden, have met to concert every thing for the Evacuation of Fribourg, Old Brisac, and Fort Kehl: And that when the French have quitted Fribourg, the Imperialists will deliver up Munich, and Ingolstad when old Brisac is evacuated.

Ratisbon, *November* 22. *N. S.* The 17th Instant in the Evening came hither the Lord Cobham and Mr. Secretary Stanhope, and the next Morning they proceeded on their Journey for Vienna, where they propose to arrive this Day. M. Malknecht one of the Elector of Bavaria's chief Ministers, has been for some Days at Munich, to adjust the Accompt of such Effects as are to be restored to the Elector by Virtue of the Treaty of Baden: 'Tis said the whole Affair will be settled by the beginning of next Month.

Hambourg, *November* 23. *N. S.* 'Tis advised from Dresden, that the King of Poland is expected there within ten Days; and that several Couriers were already come thither, with Orders for making Preparations secretly against his Majesty's Arrival: The Militia of Saxony were ordered to March towards Thuringia, and to rendezvous in the Neighbourhood of Tannenstedt.

Paris, *December* 1. *N. S.* We have an Account from Toulouze, that the Queen of Spain arrived there the 18th past, and the 21st proceeded from thence towards Pampelona, whither her Houshold was already come. Don Antonio del Castillo, Major-General in the Service of Spain, is arrived here, and having had a private Audience of the King, delivered a Letter from his Catholick Majesty, in which he Thanks his Majesty for the Assistance he had sent him, which had been so useful in reducing Barcelona and Catalonia. The Marshal Berwick being returned from Spain, has waited on the King, and was very favourably received.

Hague November 30. *N. S.* The States General have under Deliberation the nominating a Minister to assist on their Part in the Congress at Brunswick, and 'tis said M. Goes their High Mightinesses Envoy at the Court of Den-